were restored through a three-step program in which land managers plugged old drainage ditches, repaired a levee at the southwestern boundary to restore former Everglades marsh, and reconnected a portion of the flow from the adjacent J.W. Corbett Wildlife Management Area.

Archaeological sites of early American Indians date to 500 B.C. Much later on, the Seminole Indians used the DuPuis region as a refuge during the Seminole Indian War of 1835, but living off the land quickly proved difficult. Hundreds of starving Indians were captured and subsequently sent to Oklahoma. The area became known as "The Hungryland."

Today, the District and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission co-manage the property.

Access and Parking

Public access provided along the south side of Kanner Hwy., S.R. 76, six miles west of Indiantown (22 miles west of Stuart), through four gates:

- Gate 1: General vehicular access onto graded, shell-rock road; brochure on 7.5-mile auto tour available at mailbox
- Gate 2: Trailhead with parking
- Gate 3: Equestrian center; accommodates horse trailers
- Gate 5: Visitors' center; ample parking behind center

Hours

Office at Gate 5 open Monday through Friday 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Gates 1-3 open 24 hours a day. On scheduled hunt days,
property is dosed to all other recreation.
For a current calendar, visit our Web site at
www.sfwmd.gov/org/dm/lsd/dupcal.html

VISITORS' CENTER

Open Tuesday through Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Call for Saturday hours (561) 924-5310.

RESTROOMS AND WATER

Restrooms & water at visitors' center & equestrian center.

How To Get There

From southeast Florida, take I-95 north to PGA Blvd.

Go west on PGA Blvd to S.R. 710.

Go north for 12 miles to Kanner Hwy. (S.R. 76).

Take S.R. 76 six miles west to DuPuis.

From Okeechobee, Pahokee and Belle Glade, take U.S. 441 to Port Mayaca. (Good view of Lake Okeechobee from bridge). Exit onto S.R. 76 and go three miles east to DuPuis.

For More Information Call DuPuis Management Area at (561) 924-5310



DuPuis Horsemen's Association

Managed in cooperation with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The Florida Trail Association and the DuPuis Horsemen's Association develop and maintain hiking and equestrian trails and the equestrian center.

The DuPuis Citizen's Advisory Council meets quarterly to provide input on management.

DuPuis Management Are

Located in Palm Beach County

ABOUT DUPUIS

A wealth of recreationa activities awaits you at the 21,875-acre DuPui: Management Area. A va landscape of pine flatwood wet prairies, marshes and cypres

domes provides a scenic backdrop for hiking, bicycling, camping, hunting and other pursuits. DuPuis is far from urban areas and has a dark night sky, which lends itself to star gazing.

Before the District acquired to property in 1986, it was a working ranch for Dutch white-belted cattle, shee and goats. By 2001, monthan 6,500 acres of wetlands on DuPuis.

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